(f) whether any departmental vigilance/CBI inquiry is pending against any of these persons;

(g) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(h) if not, whether Government propose to institute an inquiry regarding their links with companies?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) Shri K.C. Kohli of the Indian Cost Accounts Service has been posted to this Department as Deputy Director (Cost) with effect from 19.3.90 vice Shri C.H. Pothiraj, under the orders of the Ministry of Finance.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) to (h) This Department has no Departmental, vigilance or CBI enquiry pending or contemplated against Shri Kohli.

Use of 'hybrid' brand names

2114. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 65 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 30th April, 1990 and state whether the use of such hybrid brand names would not circumvent or violate the objective of the condition that no foreign brand names will be allowed for domestic sales?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): The use of foreign owned trade mark in conjunction with an Indian trade mark does not contravene either the Trade and Merchandise Marks Act, 1958, or the foreign collaboration approval given by Government in such cases.

Assessment of amounts against M/s. Merind and M/s. Glaxo

2115. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 830 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the amounts assessed against M/s. Merind by the Special Team and what was the quantity of bulk drug and formulation and the difference taken into consideration;

(b) what are the amounts assessed against M/s. Glaxo and on what basis and for what period;

(c) what was the difference in the price of bulk drug and formulations which was used to assess this amount; and

(d) when was the process of scrutiny started and by when it would be completed against these two companies?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) A Special Team constituted to determine the recoverable amounts from all the companies (including M/s. Merind) involved in the Supreme Court case, determined some amounts recoverable from M/s. Merind also. A number of representations were received against the findings of the Special Team in all the cases. After taking into consideration these representations, it has been decided to have a fresh look into the findings of the Special Team and the developments thereafter.

(b) and (c) A sum of Rs. 37 crores was tentatively worked out as recoverable from M/s. Glaxo and communicated to the company on 22.9.89. The calculations were based on the available data for the period 12.5.81 to 26.8.87, subject to finalisation on receipt of some more data from the Company.

(d) The process of scrutiny with a view to determine the final amounts due against both the companies is already in progress and the amounts are expected to be finalised soon.

Filling up of vacancies in BWECL, Patna

2116. SHRI S.K.T. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware

that the Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited, Patna has appointed about 35 persons in its Head Office at Patna in violation of he provisions of Compulsory Notification of Vacancies Act, 1959.

(b) whether it is a fact that in making such appointments the company has suffered heavy losses; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken by Government to curb such irregularities?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) Government are not aware of instances of violation of the Employment Exchange (Compulsory Notification of Vacancies) Act, 1959, in Bharat Wagon & Engineering Co. Ltd. (BWECL), Head Office, Patna.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Overcharged amount on Oxytetracycline

2117. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA. Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1434 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st November, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the notified price of Oxytetracycline 250 mg. caps as per Notification dated 2nd April, 1979 was Rs. 46.14 and not Rs. 44.05 as adopted by Special Team;

(b) if so, how the Special team ignored even the Government notified price;

(c) is it also a fact that Special Team not worked out the amount of certain packs of formulations;

(d) if so, what steps have been taken to get them checked;

(e) what were the notified or fixed prices of various formulations of Oxytetracycline at the time the company went to Delhi High Court;

(f) what would have been the prices of these formulations had the Court not granted the stay; and

(g) when did the company implement the fixed prices and when were these fixed by Government?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) A price of Rs. 46.19 for 25×4's strip of Oxytetracycline Capsules (each capsule contains 250 mg.) was notified on 2nd April, 1979.

(b) to (g) In view of receipt of a number of complaints against the assessment made by the Special Team, it has been decided to have a fresh look into the findings of the Special Team and the developments thereafter. This exercise is presently on. Details of prices which the company charged by virtue of the stay of the High Court and the prices which they were entitled to charge under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 would become available only after the process of scrutiny is completed.

Foreign exchange waste by Hindustan Photofilms Manufacturing Company in the name of transfer of technology.

*2117-A. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Hindustan Photofilms Manufacturing Company had spent crores of rupees in foreign exchange in the name of transfer of technology for the manufacture of black and white films during the past few years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the details of the foreign companies with which agreements have been made for the transfer of technology; and

(d) what are the details of terms and conditions under which the agreements have been made?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) (a) to (d) M/s.

*Previously Unstarred Question 1740, transferred from the 24th May, 1990.